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# FISH LANDINGS LESS LAST MONTH

**New England Catch and Value Off 15 Per Cent from Year Ago According to Fisheries Bureau**

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Washington, D. C., Oct. 2.—Landings by fishing vessels at the principal New England ports during August totaled 29,886,711 pounds valued at \$1,091,612, a decrease of over 15 percent in both quantity and value from the 36,141,458 pounds worth \$1,286,992 landed during August, 1929, according to Commissioner Henry O'Malley of the bureau of fisheries.

Fresh haddock, the principal item of the catch, amounted to only 15,029,901 pounds valued at \$449,473 last month, as compared with 19,636,788 pounds worth \$499,495 landed during August of a year ago.

## Other Varieties.

Other items of the catch last month were as follows: Fresh cod, 6,442,586 pounds valued at \$169,443; salted cod, 298,018 pounds at \$14.651; fresh hake, 1,209,028 pounds at \$16.510; salted hake, 3080 pounds at \$62; fresh pollock, 427,004 pounds at \$80.47; salted pollock, 1235 pounds at \$29; fresh cusk, 210,079 pounds at \$31.65; salted cusk, 8260 pounds at \$206; fresh halibut, 238,441 pounds at \$38.465; fresh mackerel, 3,577,395 pounds at \$168.050; salted mackerel, 4000 pounds at \$160; fresh flounders,

739,589 pounds at \$30.700; fresh swordfish, 847,709 pounds at \$177.934; fresh herring, 54,000 pounds at \$338; and other fresh fish, including bluebacks, bonito, butterfish, redfish, shad, sharks, skates, tuna, whiting, wolffish, goosefish, and livers, 795,886 pounds at \$14.379.

Good weather prevailed during the month, except for a short period. Mackerel fishing was carried on largely in the vicinity of Cape Cod. Small and medium sized trawlers fishing on Georges Bank reported fish scarce. Headliners have experienced a poor season so far this year.

## Fell Off Third Here.

Landings by fishing vessels at Gloucester, one of the three principal New England ports, declined almost one-third both in quantity and value, as compared with the landings in August, 1929.

Fishing vessels landed 3,721,998 pounds valued at \$102,622 at Gloucester last month, as against 5,340,981 pounds worth \$137,667 landed at the port in August of last year.

Principal items of the Gloucester catch last month are reported as follows: Fresh haddock, 1,934,075 pounds valued at \$52,101; fresh mackerel, 798,435 pounds at \$20.924; fresh cod, 415,885 pounds at \$95.65; and salted cod, 293,118 pounds valued at \$14.455.

## TUNA FISH LONG

### REGARDED A NUISANCE

Tuna have been numerous along the coast of Nova Scotia for many years, but for a long time they were looked upon as a nuisance by the net fishermen, as they played havoc with the herring and mackerel gear in which they became tangled. There was little sale for them until recent years when a market was found among the Italian and Portuguese population of the United States, by whom they are regarded as prime food fish. Considerable shipments to the United States were made from time to time from the Clark's Harbor district of Shelburne County, and also from the Hubbard district of Lunenburg County.

No special efforts, however, were made to fish for tuna commercially until 1914, when trap nets prepared for this particular purpose, were set in the St. Margaret Bay waters of Halifax and Lunenburg counties, chiefly during July and August. The operations met with gratifying success, nearly 600,000 pounds of fish being taken that year in two traps. The fish averaged about 450 pounds each. This fishery is now definitely established in the Hubbard district of the bay. During 1927, for instance, about 600 tuna were captured by one trap operator, and in 1929, the marketed catch was 287,700 pounds.

## FOUR DRAGGERS IN DAY'S LIST

### TWO MACKEREL FARES SENT TO THE SPLITTERS YES- TERDAY.

Four of the off-shore dragging fleet were in port this morning waiting to discharge their cargoes, the quartette went to the General Seafoods Corporation for filleting.

Three of the boats had around 40,000 pounds each. The dragger Col.

Sch. Catherine Burke, with a broken Sch. Louis A. Thebaud, via Boston.

### Yesterday's Gill Net Receipts.

Boat Enterprise, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.  
Boat Agnes and Myrnie, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Inca, 4000 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Mary A., 4000 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Evelyn H., 5000 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Phyllis A., 6000 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Myrtle and Gladys, 2000 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Liboria C., 4000 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Joanna, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Edna Fae, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Naomi Bruce II., 2500 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat Virginia and Joan, 5000 lbs. fresh fish.

Boat C. A. Meister, 1500 lbs. fresh fish.

### Sailed.

Sch. Laura Goulart, haddocking.

Sch. Killarney, dragging.

Sch. Elizabeth and Ruth, dragging.

## THIRTY-TWO IN BOSTON FLEET

### RECEIPTS MOSTLY GROUND FISH —TWO SEINERS ON HAND WITH MACKEREL.

A fleet of 32 craft was on hand at the Boston fish pier this morning. They brought in 1,296,000 pounds of groundfish, 34,000 pounds of fresh mackerel; 158,000 pounds of mixed fish, 54 swordfish and 3000 pounds of butterfish. Mackerel and swordfish were in demand and high. Groundfish prices were lower.

### Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and fares in detail:  
Str. Boston College, 82,000 haddock, 22,000 cod, 18,000 mixed fish.

Str. Swell, 36,000 haddock, 22,000 cod, 12,000 mixed fish.

Str. Foam, 47,000 haddock, 17,000 cod, 7000 mixed fish.

Sch. Helen M., 16,000 haddock, 20,000 cod, 11,000 mixed fish.

Sch. Francis J. Manta, 11,000 haddock, 18,000 cod, 7000 mixed fish.

Boat Waltham II., 12,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 3000 butterfish.

Sch. Julia, 22,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 10,000 mixed fish.

Boat New Bedford, 33,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 13,000 mixed fish.

Sch. Carrie S. Roderick, 17,000 haddock, 3000 cod, 3000 mixed fish.

Gov. Al Smith, 27,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 4000 mixed fish.

Sch. Shamrock, 85,000 haddock, 22,000 cod, 1000 pollock.

Sch. Eleanor Nickerson, 60,000 haddock, 15,000 cod, 5000 hake.

Sch. Andrew and Rosalie, 53,000 haddock, 4000 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Edith C. Rose, 45,000 haddock, 12,000 cod, 3000 mixed fish.

Sch. Constellation, 55,000 haddock, 27,000 cod, 23,000 mixed fish.

Sch. John J. Fallon, 80,000 haddock, 35,000 cod.

Sch. Teazer, 1000 haddock, 22,000 cod.

Sch. Desire, 22,500 cod.

Sch. Arthur D. Story, 40,000 haddock, 9000 cod, 5000 hake, 5000 cusk, 8000 pollock.

Sch. Morning Star, 80,000 haddock, 8000 cod, 4000 hake, 5000 cusk.

Sch. Wanderer, 60,000 haddock, 29,000 cod, 17,000 hake.

Str. Princeton, 47,000 haddock, 11,000 cod, 11,500 mixed fish.

Boat Serafina II., 10,000 mackerel.

Boat Old Glory, 24,000 mackerel.

Sch. Newcastle, 54 swordfish.

Sch. William S., 10,000 mixed fish.

Boat Alphonso, 3700 mixed fish.

Boat Leonardo, 3600 mixed fish.

Boat Automatic, 3200 mixed fish.

Boat Two Brothers, 3100 mixed fish.

Boat Fred Henry, 4300 mixed fish.

Boat Mary G., 2700 mixed fish.

Haddock, \$2.50 per cwt.; large cod, \$3 to \$3.50; market cod, \$1.75 to \$2; hake, \$1 to \$1.25; pollock, \$1.50; cusk, \$1.50; gray sole, 7 cents per pound; lemon sole, 4 cents; black backs, 2 cents; yellow tails, 3 cents; dabs, 2½ cents; mackerel, 5.25 to 5.30 cents; swordfish, 26 cents; catfish, 2 cents.